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Attention:

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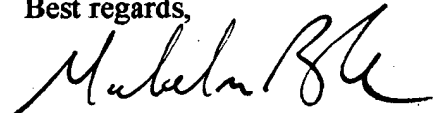
RE: Application of Malcolm Burke, 10/017,623

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.2, and responsive to correspondence received from your office dated August 18, 2004 entitled Notice of Withdrawal From Issue Under 37 CFR §1.313, I hereby request all available information concerning the reasons for the above described withdrawal. Specifically, your letter of August 18th indicated that "The reasons [for withdrawal] will be communicated [] by the examiner." Heretofore, my informal attempts to acquire this information through telephone calls to Patent Office Customer Service and Msrs. Sircus and Deberadinis have been unsuccessful. Because I wish to understand the rationale behind your office's action and determine what course of action I may take, I wish to have this information as soon as it is available.

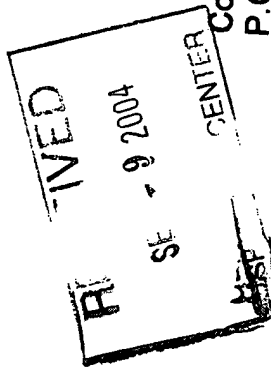
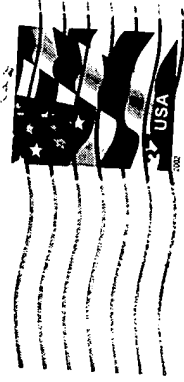
I have appreciated the excellent service I have received from Mr. Deberadinis to date, and thank you all for your attention to this matter. Finally, I respectfully request that this correspondence be placed on the record of application 10/017,623.

Best regards,



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